



August 4, 2016

Ms. Kirsten Walli, Board Secretary Ontario Energy Board

via e-mail : <u>boardsec@ontarioenergyboard.ca</u>

Re: EB-2016-0152 – OPG Prescribed Facilities Payments 2017-21 Supplementary information for consideration with July 19th application letter

- 1. This is a joint application for intervenor status for both The Canadian Wind Energy Association (CanWEA) and the Canadian Solar Industries Association (CanSIA), proceeding as a single entity in the above noted matter.
- 2. CanWEA is the voice of Canada's wind energy industry, actively promoting the responsible and sustainable growth of wind energy. A national non-profit association, CanWEA is Canada's leading source of information on wind energy's social, economic, health and environmental benefits for Canadian communities and provincial economies. CanWEA represents the wind energy community organizations and individuals who are directly involved in the development and application of wind energy technology, products and services. Our members are Canada's wind energy leaders. They are wind energy owners, operators, manufacturers, project developers, consultants, and service providers, and other organizations and individuals that support Canada's wind energy industry.

CanSIA is a national trade association that represents the solar energy industry throughout Canada. CanSIA's vision for Canada's solar energy industry is for solar electricity to be a mainstream energy source and an integral part of Canada's diversified electricity mix by 2020. CanSIA also intends for the solar electricity industry to be sustainable, with no direct subsidies, and operating in a supportive and stable policy and regulatory environment within a similar time frame.

- 3. We would like to be considered for the opportunity to provide a written submission and are seeking intervenor status as a means of doing so. The associations are applying jointly for intervenor status in this matter so that we may present evidence for consideration by the OEB related to rate payer impacts/the cost effectiveness of the Pickering generation station's proposed extended operational timeline in comparison to existing/planned renewables (wind and solar) as well as future new procurement scenarios.
- 4. We will also request that we be found eligible for costs in this matter as we will need to engage an external consultant to prepare the appropriate financial models for comparison in our effort to ensure that we are able to contribute to a better understanding by the Board of cost effective alternatives to the application.





5. We request that the following persons be included on the distribution list:

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